

HOUSE BILL 1978

By Pitts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3 and  
Title 49, relative to the department of education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2, is amended by  
adding the following language as a new section:

49-1-212.

(a) The commissioner of education shall establish guidelines to require the  
department to prepare a fiscal note to accompany any department rule or policy that  
increases or decreases state or local revenues, or financially impacts an LEA prior to the  
implementation of such rule or policy.

(b) The fiscal note shall, if possible, include an estimate in dollars of the  
anticipated change in revenue, expenditures, or fiscal liability under the provisions of the  
proposed rule or policy. The fiscal note statement shall include an explanation of the  
basis or reasoning on which the estimate is founded, including any assumptions  
involved.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.